

FmHA AN No. 2270 (1955)

April 10, 1991

SUBJECT: Accepting Funds from Federal or State Agency

for the Transfer of FmHA Farmer Programs

Inventory Property for Conservation Purposes

TO: State Directors, District Directors, and

County Supervisors

ATTN: Farmer Programs Chiefs and Environmental

Coordinators

PURPOSE/INTENDED OUTCOME:

The purpose of this Administrative Notice (AN) is to provide guidance on the processing of a Farmer Programs inventory property transfer request to Federal or State Agencies for conservation purposes, when the agency requesting the transfer wishes to reimburse FmHA for the value of the property. The intended outcome is to ensure that all agencies are treated the same, and that reimbursement is made by the agency on their own volition.

COMPARISON WITH PREVIOUS AN:

This AN supplements AN No. 2114(1955), "Transfers of Farm Inventory Property to Federal or State Agencies for Conservation Purposes," dated July 18, 1990.

IMPLEMENTATION RESPONSIBILITIES:

Paragraph 1955.139 (a)(3)(c) of FmHA Instruction 1955-C, allows for FmHA to transfer farm inventory property to Federal or State

Expiration Date: July 31, 1991

FmHA Instruction: Preceding FmHA Instruction 1955-C Agencies for conservation purposes. All transfer requests must be approved by the FmHA Administrator. The National Office has received requests from agencies that want to reimburse FmHA for the transfer of the inventory property.

It would be to the best financial interest of the government if FmHA would accept reimbursement for the transfer of inventory properties, if offered. These requests will be reviewed by the National Office. The following is information that must be submitted to the National Office in addition to the information outlined in FmHA AN No. 2114(1955), "Transfers of Farm Inventory Property to Federal or State Agencies for Conservation Purposes":

- 1. Written documentation from the State Director that the requesting Agency fully understands that there is not a need to reimburse FmHA for the property, and the Agency is making the request on their own volition. This documentation should include a copy of letters forwarded to the requesting agency explaining FmHA policy on transferring inventory properties for conservation purposes.
- 2. Include the written request from the requesting agency. If more than one agency is requesting a transfer on the same property, include the written requests from all agencies.

Each case will be reviewed on its individual merits, in the National Office. Offers from Agencies to reimburse FmHA will not be used in determining the priority of transfer of inventory property pursuant to Section 1955.139 (c)(3) of FmHA Instruction 1955-C. This review will reduce the possible appearance of a conflict of interest.

If you have any questions, contact Ann Eggleston of Farmer Programs Loan Servicing and Property Management Division at 475-4009.

LA VERNE AUSMAN Administrator

Sent by Time Delay Option to States at 9:00 on 4/16; to Districts at 1:00 on 4/16; and Counties at 1:00 on 4/16 by ASD.